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The "merry month of May" has
few beauties for the man who puts
in two hours a day working in the
garden under "wife's" supervision.—
Rutland News.

We don't believe you "done" it. It
may have seemed that long, but by
the clock it wasn't more than twenty
minutes.

Drivers of automobiles and drivers
of teams often needlessly make trouble
for other people by keeping on the
wrong side of the road with their
vehicles. This abuse has been
stopped in Montpelier and the lesson
was so easy that it ought to be learned
in Bennington. All there was to
it was the arrest and fining of a few
well-known citizens and it is astonishing
how quickly everybody learned to
keep on his own side of the road.
Abuses like this driving on the
wrong side usually grow up through
thoughtlessness, rather than through
willful intent, and a little enforcement
of reasonable regulations would
prevent accidents less liable and add
to the comfort and convenience of
the driving public.

The ownership of the Montpelier
Journal is again being discussed by
several Vermont newspapers and
there is evinced a desire to smoke
out the real owner. The Banner re-
prints an article from the Randolph
Herald and News. This article tells
the truth so far as we know. The
editor of the Banner has tried to dis-
pense the shares of stock which
stand in his name but finds that he
cannot do it because a transfer re-
quires a clerk of the corporation and
the last known clerk of the corporation,
Charles A. Webb, resigned several
years ago. We have thought of
calling on the attorney general for
detective service but there seems to
be a feeling that that bill is big
enough already. We do not care-
lessly own the Journal, but its
editorial views do not coincide with
those of Mr. Howe and he does not
like to have his name identified with
a business for which he is in no way
responsible, but he has so far found
no way out of the dilemma.

Ex-Governor John Abner Mead of
this city commemorates the semi-centennial
of his graduation from Middlebury
college by providing funds,
amounting about \$60,000, for the
construction of a handsome chapel at
that institution. It is a magnificent
gift and it is a most fitting time for
its presentation.—Rutland News.

With this splendid gift from For-
mer Governor Mead and \$10,000 from
Former Governor McCullough, Middle-
bury is getting a fine start this
spring and it is still several weeks to
commencement. This gift from Dr.
Mead is, we believe, his largest pub-
lic benefaction and it was particularly
fitting that it should go to the col-
lege from which he graduated a half
century ago. It seems as though we
heard somebody report a while ago
that the Vermont colleges mostly
educated young people to go to some
other state. Dr. Mead is a Vermont
boy, was educated in a Vermont col-
lege, and has built up one of the big-
gest industries in the state. The pay-
roll of his company goes a long way
toward making Rutland a live town.
Haven't we better close up these col-
leges in order to reduce state ex-
penses?

Light in a Bookstore.
With many others, I have complained
of the ignorance of the bookshop as-
sistants. They are apparently so busied
in distributing literature that they
have no time to read it. The other day
I went into my usual "bookstore" and
saw a sign "with a usual demand
and the extra one, for I had mislaid
my copy of the "Apocrypha," a volume
always hard to obtain. "And have you
the 'Apocrypha' please?" The cour-
teous young lady thought, glanced
round. "Let me see," she said. "Is it
a weekly or a monthly?"—London Chronicle.

New Dishes.
What new dishes have you had since
you have had your new French cook?
asked Mrs. Squire of a friend whom
she met one morning.
"Oh, a whole new dinner set," replied
the other, "and several pieces of cut
glass, and she's only been with us
about a week."—Harper's Magazine.

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Newspaper Ownership

The article from the "Vermont
Vermonters" on "Who Owns the Mont-
pelier Journal," will be read with
interest and instruction by very
many people who are beginning to
evince more than mere curiosity in
the question. Here is a newspaper
management that apparently suc-
ceeds in evading the letter, as well
as the spirit, of a federal act de-
signed to reveal the identity of the per-
son in control of all newspapers, so
that the public may weigh their pol-
icy and their editorial expressions
aright.

Vermonters know that P. W. Cle-
ment owns the majority of stock in
the Rutland Herald; that E. C.
Smith estate owns the St. Albans
Messenger; that Frank E. Langley
owns the Barre Times and Frank E.
Howe the Bennington Banner, and
when these newspapers speak the
owners get due credit and what they
say counts as coming from such
sources. But here is a daily newspaper
in the state capital without owner-
ship of any kind, so far as even the
federal law can determine, that prac-
tically tells the public it is none of
the public's business who sits in the
dark behind the screen and pulls the
wires.

The Journal is not a business, but
a political proposition. It has never
paid, and someone has had to finance
it. Who are the parties so mightily
interested in having a newspaper or-
gan at the capital that they are will-
ing to do this, and is their motive so
unworthy that they confess its un-
worthiness by refusing to subterfuge
or actual evasion, now that a federal
law reaches for them?

Under the circumstances, it is but
natural that the course of the Mont-
pelier Journal in politics should have
received most careful scrutiny. If
politicians are in control, their hand
would be seen soon enough. In so
far as can be judged up to this time
there is only one noticeable policy
that has actuated the Journal and
that is underlying loyalty in service
to the Hon. Allen M. Fletcher, at
present governor of Vermont. I
have taken this attitude ostensibly in
the province of disinterested journal-
ism and for the public welfare. It
appeals to its readers on this basis.
It is quoted by other newspapers the
same way. The public does not see
the "inside of the case." It is unable
to estimate fairly the importance
that should be awarded to the Jour-
nal's utterances because it is shut
out from information as to the control.
As the matter stands, one may be
inclined to entertain the opinion
that an attempt at deception is
being practiced. If the public had the
right sort of information as to what
interests or impulses or influences
were prompting the Journal in its
mind following of Governor Fletcher,
it could estimate the support at its
true worth.

The fiction about Lieutenant Gover-
nor Howe's connection with the Jour-
nal was exploded long ago by Mr.
Howe himself. His interest is more
personal and no student of Ver-
mont journalism needs to be told
that he has no sort of control of the
Journal property or policy. He is be-
ing used as a stalking horse—we
know very much to his own disgust
and discomfort.—Rutland Herald
and News.

Alcohol and Death Rate

The vast amount of discussion and
argument that has been printed on
the subject of alcohol testifies to the
degree of ingenuity men will exer-
cise to prove that the thing they like
is not injurious. It is not so many
generations since "out liquors"
were universally considered to be
strengthening and beneficial. Grad-
ually the relationship between alcohol
and certain pathological conditions
forced itself upon popular as well as
scientific attention and public opin-
ion with regard to the danger of us-
ing alcohol has changed. Naturally,
however, habits in the use of alcohol
have not changed as rapidly as opin-
ion concerning its qualities as a bever-
age. Intelligent men continue to
take chances with it, but rarely un-
der any misapprehension of the fact
that they are taking chances.

The investigations of the Medico-
Actuarial Committee as published in
Volume IV add some significant facts
to the case against alcohol. For in-
stance, Class 17 containing some 5-
800 persons who had occasionally used
alcohol to excess showed a mortality
of 152 per cent. of the general av-
erage indicated for the companies
contributing to the investigation.

Class 18 covered some 4,200 cases
classed as "steady free user at date
of application." This class showed a
mortality of 132 per cent. of the Med-
ico-Actuarial standard. As the phrase
"steady free user" was known to
have been variously interpreted this
class was divided so as to sepa-
rate the group where a liberal inter-
pretation was placed upon "steady

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ignorance or carelessness in the feed-
ing of a baby its tiny stomach may
become deranged. The disorder
spreads to the bowels and before the
mother realizes it the two chief or-
gans on which the infant's comfort
and health depend are causing it
great suffering. If the condition is
allowed to continue grave ailments
often result.

There is, however, no occasion for
alarm, and the sensible thing to do—
it should be done instantly—is to
give the baby a small dose of a mild
laxative-remedy. In the opinion of a
great many people, among them such
well-known persons as the parents of
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free use." The mortality of this
group was 186 per cent. The deaths
from cirrhosis of the liver were five
times, while diabetes, tuberculosis,
pneumonia and suicide were twice
the normal.—Insurance Record.

Human "Hives"

A decidedly quaint form of dwell-
ing, built of mud bricks in the form
of a hive, may be seen in Mesopotam-
ia, where villages, and even whole
towns, exhibiting this peculiar form
of architecture are to be met with.

As the country is destitute of trees
from which to hew rafters, the re-
sourceful natives build habitations of
sun-dried mud bricks with high and
steep domes by way of roofs. Each
home consists of several of these
"hives" standing close together, and
surrounded by a wall of similar ma-
terial. Each "hive" is a separate
room. One or more is used to live in;
another is reserved for the animals,
while yet another serves as a gran-
ary, and so on, according to the pos-
sessions of the proprietor.—From the
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